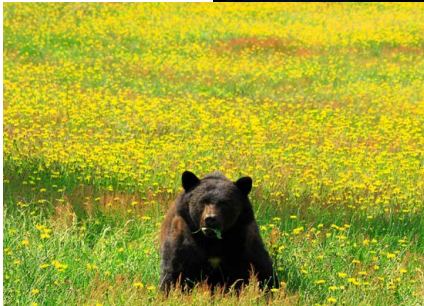




Experiences Fact sheet



Location

Located at the heart of Vancouver Island’s natural wild-west playground, Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge sits in the UNESCO-designated Clayoquot Sound Biosphere Reserve and offers a full itinerary of extraordinary nature-based adventures. Guests have direct access to 600-acres of gloriously wild nature reserve where opportunities for adventure, education, natural enrichment and personal connection abound. Experiences span equestrian, marine-based, land-based, helicopter and fishing adventures.

Getting there
The easiest and quickest way to travel to Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge is to fly to Vancouver, British Columbia and connect with a scenic 45-minute seaplane flight directly to the resort dock on Clayoquot Sound. Boat and helicopter transfers are also available options.

Vancouver Island Seasons

The temperate rainforests that dominate the landscape and ecosystem at Clayoquot Sound also drive the weather systems. While the region generally receives good rains that sustain its forests, in summertime the conditions are warm and quite dry, ideal for marine sports and outdoor activities, making summer and shoulder months an ideal time to visit.

Season	Average daytime temp	Average overnight temp
Summer (June–August)	15-19°C (59-66°F)	11-13°C (52-55°F)
Fall (September–November)	13-17°C (55-62°F)	6-10°C (43-50°F)
Winter (December–February)	5-8°C (41-46°F)	2-4°C (36-39°F)
Spring (March–May)	9-14°C (48-57°F)	5-10°C (41-50°F)

What to bring
Reflecting the adventurous nature of the Pacific Northwest wilderness, dress is relaxed at Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge. Solid walking shoes, comfortable clothes, layers for warmth, and a rain jacket are recommended. A hat and sunscreen are every day essentials.

Sample itineraries

Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge offers an extraordinary experience of Vancouver Island’s grand wilderness, revealing pristine nature, offering unforgettable wildlife encounters and delivering exceptional dining to create an enriching connection with this remote outlier. Guests are presented with a personalised itinerary on arrival which may be tailored to preference. Daily adventures include the lodge’s Signature Experiences, offered on an intimate shared basis with fellow guests at scheduled times.

Find out more
View sample itineraries for three, four and seven night stays on our website.



Signature experiences

A personalised itinerary of signature adventures at Clayoquot offers guests an essential experience of this extraordinary destination. Each day presents an encounter with wildlife revelling in pristine land and marine environments.



Canyoning

One of the most popular adventures at Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge, canyoning is a fun way to discover the valleys and waterways that run to Clayoquot Sound. Guests can kayak or jump on a paddle board from the top of Bedwell Sound and paddle up the glacier fed Bedwell River to a waterfall channel and several hidden waterholes.

Tariff

Included

Duration

Typically 2-3 hours



Hiking

World class hiking opportunities are plentiful and are customisable to all ages and skill levels, ranging from one hour to full day adventures. Paths of cedar boardwalk trails lead through ancient forest cathedrals and lush fern gardens, while abandoned roads deep in the rainforest showcase old-growth, new growth and re-forested landscapes, home to abundant wildlife.

Tariff

Included

Duration

Typically 1-6 hours



Horseback Riding

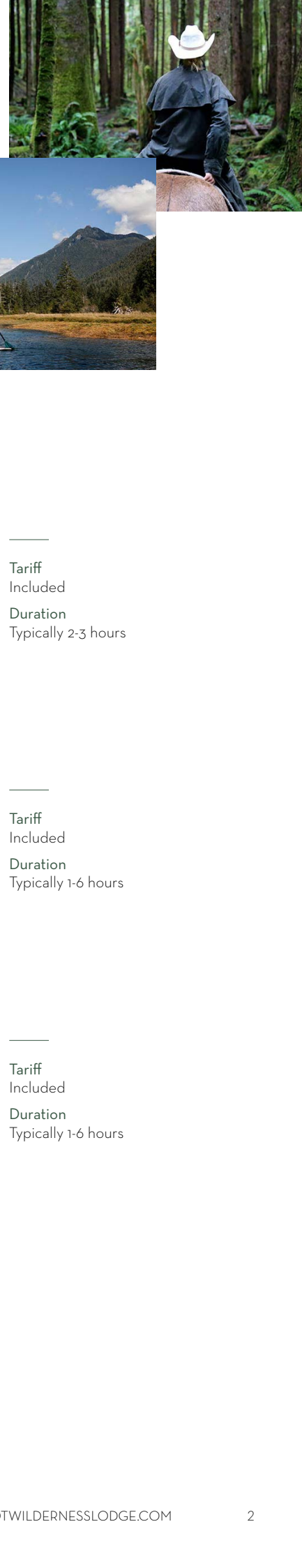
Horse-riding at Clayoquot is a wonderful way to take in the wild landscape, harking back to the region's gold mining days and evoking a relaxed, outdoor vibe. A swag of popular horse-riding trails varies in duration from one to six hours and together cover a diverse range of terrain, from river valley meadows, old-growth forest and Jurassic fern gardens to glacial river crossings and abandoned gold mines.

Tariff

Included

Duration

Typically 1-6 hours





Sights of the Sound

The half-day Sights of the Sound wildlife-spotting adventure is a wonderful way to encounter Clayoquot's 'wow' wildlife in a short space of time. Bear and whale watching often go hand in hand, because during low-tide, black bears can almost always be seen flipping rocks along remote foreshores in search of tasty crabs and other crustaceans. The tour then continues further out to sea where whales, porpoise, seals and sea lions can be spotted close up as they dive the depth of the sound and surface to surf the waves.

Tariff
Included

Duration
1-3 hours

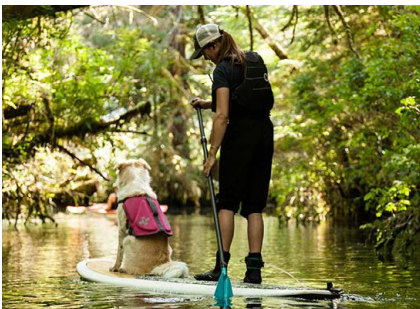


Walk the Wildside

Following the path of the Wild Side First Nations Interpretive Trail, Walk the Wild Side is an all-day adventure that delivers an astounding range of sights and wilderness activities in an essential experience of the destination. Guests jump into a Zodiac boat and head out into Clayoquot Sound for a first-hand encounter with black bears, whales, sea lions, sea otters, eagles and more.

Tariff
Included

Duration
6-8 hours



Watersports

With Clayoquot Sound and the Bedwell River on the doorstep, Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge offers many wonderful ways to paddle and explore the vast and pristine marine environment. The lodge offers a fleet of state-of-the-art canoes, kayaks and stand up paddle boards for guests to embark on personally guided adventures through changing intertidal waterways that frame vibrant landscapes and rich wildlife habitats.

Tariff
Included

Duration
Typically 1-3 hours



À la carte experiences

An additional menu of à la carte experiences is on offer to tailor an even more personalised itinerary of Clayoquot experiences. Activities from archery to rock climbing are included in the tariff and are offered on an intimate shared basis.



Archery

Set your sights and steady the nerve with a fun and skill-building game of archery. Clayoquot's ancient deep-green forest setting evokes the inner Robin Hood; this is a better time than any to take aim for the bullseye. Clayoquot's personal instructors can help with learning how to shoot a recurve bow, using traditional practices as well as more instinctive archery techniques.

Tariff

Included

Duration

Typically 1-2 hours



West Coast Fishing

Whether it's a full day or a few hours, relax and enjoy a day scoping out the sound and taking in the serenity while seeing what local variety of fish may be biting below. Be sure to keep an eye out for all kinds of wildlife, from orcas to otters. Ocean fishing is our featured fishing experience, as the lodge repositions its fishing programs to minimise its impact on wild salmon and address the current issue of overfishing in freshwater channels and rivers.

Tariff

Included

Duration

Typically 2-6 hours



Disc Golf

An exciting game of skill to attract young and mature players, disc golf or Frisbee golf is similar to the traditional game of golf but rather than golf clubs and tees players use a flying disc or Frisbee and shoot for baskets. Disc golf is low intensity and can be played by all ages, making it a fantastic social sport. Clayoquot's newly added disc golf course, Backcountry 9 offers a relaxing nine-hole game.

Tariff

Included

Duration

Typically 1-2 hours





Mountain Biking

There are few better places to try mountain biking than around the diverse terrain at Clayoquot Sound. Start with a brief introduction to mountain biking before heading off for adventure. A swag of single-track biking trails with varying difficulty levels is on offer for great wilderness adventures, or guests can opt for a more relaxed, couples or families style bike ride to the scenic suspension bridge that leads to Strathcona Provincial Park.

Tariff
Included

Duration
Typically 1-4 hours

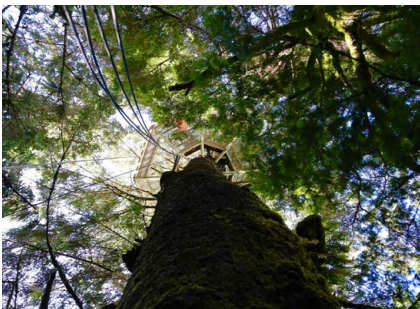


Rock Climbing

A stay at Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge offers the chance to try new adventures or spend more time on favourites, with rock-climbing one of the many choices. Clayoquot's dedicated rock-climbing wall is integrated into an expansive natural rockface, lining one side of a high-wall cove overlooking the vast ocean expanse of Bedwell Sound and providing an authentic outdoor climbing experience coupled with spectacular views.

Tariff
Included

Duration
Typically 1-2 hours



The Tree Climb

A trunk-round viewing platform at the height of the forest canopy and offering sweeping views through the leaves to Bedwell Sound and beyond is the goal for the rappelling - or tree-climbing - experience at Clayoquot. Guests ascend to the platform using a system of ropes and pulleys and assisted by lodge guides, who help from above. A bird's eye view into the rainforest canopy and out over the estuary is the top prize before rappelling back down to earth.

Tariff
Included

Duration
Typically 1 hour



Bespoke heli experiences



Bespoke heli experience rates valid June 17, 2021 - September 30, 2021

All rates quoted in Canadian Dollars; additional charges and taxes not included

To make a stay at Clayoquot Sound truly unforgettable, we also offer a menu of Bespoke Helicopter Adventures designed to suit every interest and occasion.

How to book

Bookings can be made in advance or once at the lodge. To speak with a Reservations Consultant, please call +1 250 266 0397 during business operation hours: Monday-Friday 9am-5pm PST.



Heli Adventure

This design-your-own heli-adventure getaway can be tailor-made for an incredible day out to suit a couple or family and friends. Fly high above Clayoquot Sound to access an exclusive location for hiking, swimming or picnicking. Climb aboard Clayoquot's own Bell Jet Ranger and be transported even further into the remote wilderness of Clayoquot Sound. Reach inaccessible lakes, streams and forest to enjoy time on the world's edge, a chance to reconnect with the still beauty of nature and the ones who matter most.

Tariff

1-4 guests	CAD\$6,000
5-8 guests	CAD\$8,000
9-12 guests	CAD\$9,000

Duration

Half day



Heli Fly Fishing

Experience an unforgettable guided heli-fly fishing adventure touring some of the most remote rivers and lakes in the world. Little known and virtually untouched, Clayoquot Sound's fiercely guarded secret fishing spots are accessible only by helicopter, offering keen anglers exclusive access to prime fishing locations and the chance to hook the fish of a lifetime when the circumstances align.

Tariff

Charged per heli flying time

First hour	CAD\$3,900
Every 30 mins thereafter	CAD\$1,750

Duration

Half day



Heli Hiking

While hiking around the forests and rocky coastlines of Clayoquot Sound is already life-changing, a heli-hiking experience gives way to truly breathtaking hikes, with 360-degree views of mountains and ocean. With an abundance of locations and hikes to choose from, heli hiking offers a chance to design-your-own best adventure.

Tariff

1-3 guests	CAD\$3,500
4-6 guests	CAD\$5,500
7-10 guests	CAD\$7,500

Duration

Half day



Sip to Sky

Lifting off from the Outpost guest activities hub, Clayoquot's resident Bell Jet Ranger heli ascends for a 15-minute 'sea to sky' scenic flight up to the top of the towering Ursus Mountain. An exhilarating 30 minutes of flight time, with an hour of Clayoquot's signature drinks and canapés included at the top of Ursus mountain. Take in the breathtaking views of Clayoquot Sound and Strathcona Provincial Park - all at 4000 ft above sea level.

Tariff

CAD\$850 per person
(min numbers apply)

Duration

1.5 hours

Terms & Conditions

For cancellations of Bespoke Heli Experiences with less than 24 hours notice the full charge of the experience may apply. Touring options and inclusions are subject to change without notice. Experiences can be customised to individual requirements at the discretion of Clayoquot Wilderness Lodge and any external operators. Some experiences are subject to weather conditions. V2 | May 2021